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Ms. Rebecca Palmer  
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901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5004  
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**Re: CLC Main Entrance Concrete Steps Replacement/Renew  
National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation  
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)  
Sierra Nevada Health Care System (VASNHCS)**

Dear Ms. Palmer:

The United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), submits the attached as invitation for Section 106 review. VA requests SHPO concurrence on the following:

- Area of Potential Effect (APE).
- Identification of historic properties.
- *No Adverse Effect* determination for this undertaking pursuant to 36 CFR §800.5(a).

For questions on this submittal, please contact Arlee Fisher at the VASNHCS. Please copy Ms. Fisher on all responses to this submittal via the following:

*Ms. Arlee Fisher  
Executive Assistant to the Director  
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We appreciate your time, assistance and review in the Section 106 consultation process.

Sincerely,

 **ACTING**

Lisa Howard  
Director

Attachments



**NEVADA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE**  
**Recommended Coversheet for Section 106 Review**

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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

☒ THIS IS A NEW SUBMITTAL

**a. Project Name:**

CLC Main Entrance Concrete Steps Replacement/Renew.

**b. Project Address and APN (if available):**

Campus Address: 975 Kirman Avenue, Reno, Nevada  
Building(s) Affected: CLC / Building 10, Main Entrance at Flag Circle  
APN: 013-182-01

**c. County:**

Washoe County, Nevada

**d. Federal Agency, Contact Name and Mailing Address:**

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**e. State Agency (if applicable), Contact Name and Mailing Address:**

Not Applicable

**f. Consultant or Applicant Contact Information (if applicable) including mailing address:**

Not Applicable





**g. Exact project location:**

See Appendix A, Figures 1 through 4.

The main campus for the VASNHCS is located within the City of Reno, Washoe County, Nevada. The hospital campus is bounded by East Taylor Street to the north, Kirman Avenue to the east, Burns Street to the south, and Locust Street to the west. A parking garage and support structures are further located along the south side of Belli Drive, as demonstrated on the campus location maps in Appendix B.

The VASNHCS campus is located within Township 19 North, Range 19 East, Section 13, of the Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian, as shown on the United States Geological Survey (USGS) *Reno* Quadrangle, Nevada (7.5-minute series) quadrangle map. The VASNHCS is located at an elevation of approximately 4475 feet above mean sea level (AMSL).

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**II. PROJECT WORK DESCRIPTION AND AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS (APE)**

**Note: Every project has an APE.**

**a. Detailed written description of the project:**

The project will renew the existing concrete steps located at the Main Entrance of the CLC / Building 10. The existing concrete was poured in 1982 and is in need of replacement due to degradation, excessive cracking, and spalling. The current condition has become a trip and fall hazard for patients and staff.

The area of concrete renewal spans from the front glass doors up to, but not including the sidewalk at Flag Circle. The process and plans does not expand or remove from the current footprint; these are renewal efforts only. Surrounding ground vegetation will not be disturbed since the concrete removal area lies within the existing concrete walls which will not be demolished as they are in good repair.

The concrete finish will match the existing: Plain / non-colored concrete with a heavy broom finish

Due to the short duration of the project the designated staging area will be in the Flag Circle, immediately in front of the project location. It is expected that a truck and trailer will be parked in this area during the hours of construction only, and will serve as means for demo refuse to be taken out with a trailer, and tool retrieval for demo and forming efforts.

Expected (2) days of demo and forming, following day to pour, then a week to cure.

**b. Provide a localized map indicating the location of the project; road names must be included and legible.**

See Appendix B, Figures 5 through 6b



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**c. On the above-mentioned map, identify the APE.**

See Appendix B, Figures 5 through 6b

**d. Provide a written description of the APE (physical, visual, auditory, and atmospheric), the steps taken to identify the APE, and the justification for the boundaries chosen. Please consider the height of the proposed undertaking when determining this area.**

The direct APE is the area where concrete is being removed and replaced. The visual (indirect) APE was drawn based on the area from which there is visibility to the work. There are walls along the sides of the stairs and upper landing that minimize visibility. (see images in Section V. Photographs)

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**III. GROUND DISTURBING ACTIVITY (INCLUDING EXCAVATION, GRADING, TREE REMOVALS, UTILITY INSTALLATION, CONSTRUCTION, ETC.)**

DOES THIS PROJECT INVOLVE GROUND-DISTURBING ACTIVITY? YES ☒ NO ☐ (If no, proceed to section IV.)

- a. Description of width, length and depth of proposed ground disturbing activity (please include all associated disturbances (access roads, laydown areas, etc): Approximately 600 square feet of existing concrete pad and steps will be removed and replaced.
- b. Previous land use and disturbances: Concrete pad and steps.
- c. Current land use and conditions: Concrete pad and steps.
- d. Does the landowner know of any archaeological resources found on the property?  
Two previous studies have been conducted. See Appendix B.

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**IV. IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

- a. List and date all resources (buildings, structures, objects, archaeological sites) 50 years of age or older located in the APE: See Appendix C.
- b. List all resources currently listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) or currently designated under a local preservation ordinance. (If the resource is located within a NRHP-listed or local historic district it is only necessary to identify the district): Veterans Hospital District, SHPO Resource D191.
- c. List all resources previously determined eligible for NRHP listing (see "Instructions for Application for Section 106 Review" on the SHPO website): See Appendix C.
- d. Is the APE for the undertaking within the jurisdiction of a Certified Local Government?
  - ☐ Yes – please include evidence of consultation with the Historic Resources Review Board or appropriate staff representative.
  - ☒ No – no further documentation necessary.
- e. Identify whether or not any previously unevaluated resources in the APE are eligible for NRHP listing. Resources in the APE have previously been evaluated.
- f. Describe the steps taken to identify whether or not the APE contains previously unevaluated NRHP-eligible resources: Resources in the APE have previously been evaluated.
- g. Based on the information contained in "b", please choose one:
  - ☒ Historic Properties Present in the APE
  - ☐ No Historic Properties Present in the APE



- h. Describe the condition, previous disturbance to, and history of any historic properties located in the APE: While the concrete steps and pad are not historic, they are within the boundary of the Veterans Hospital District.

#### V. PHOTOGRAPHS

**Note:** All photographs should be keyed to a map.

- a. Provide photographs of the project area itself.



See Appendix A, Figure 5 for location.

- b. Provide photographs of all resources 50 years of age or older located in the APE. Digital images or clear photocopies are acceptable.



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**VI. DETERMINATION OF EFFECT**  
**Based on the above information, please choose one.**

- ☐ No historic properties affected based on [36 CFR § 800.4(d)(1)], please provide the justification for this determination.
- ☒ No Adverse Effect [36 CFR § 800.5(b)] on historic properties, explain why the criteria of adverse effect, 36 CFR Part 800.5(a)(1), were found not applicable.

A finding of No Adverse Effect on historic properties is due to the fact that this project is simply a replacement in-kind of existing construction.

- ☐ Adverse Effect [36 CFR § 800.5(d)(2)] on historic properties, explain why the criteria of adverse effect, [36 CFR Part 800.5(a)(1)], were found applicable.

***Please print and mail completed form and any additional information to:***

*Nevada State Historic Preservation Office  
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5004  
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5248*





## Appendix A

### Site Location and Area of Potential Effect (APE) Maps



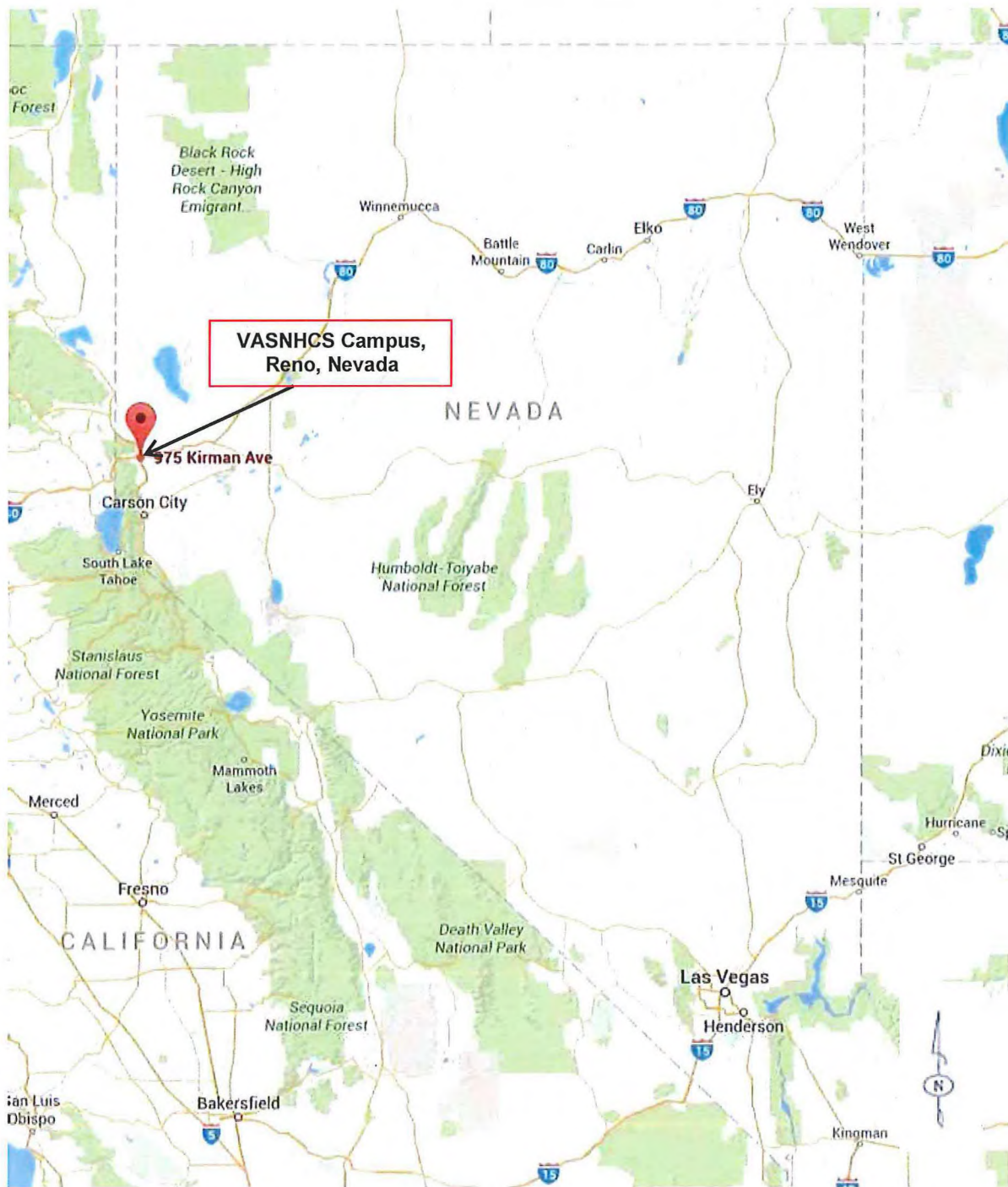


IMAGE SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS

FIGURE 1

### VASNHCS Location within NEVADA

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Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
975 Kirman Avenue  
Reno, Nevada  
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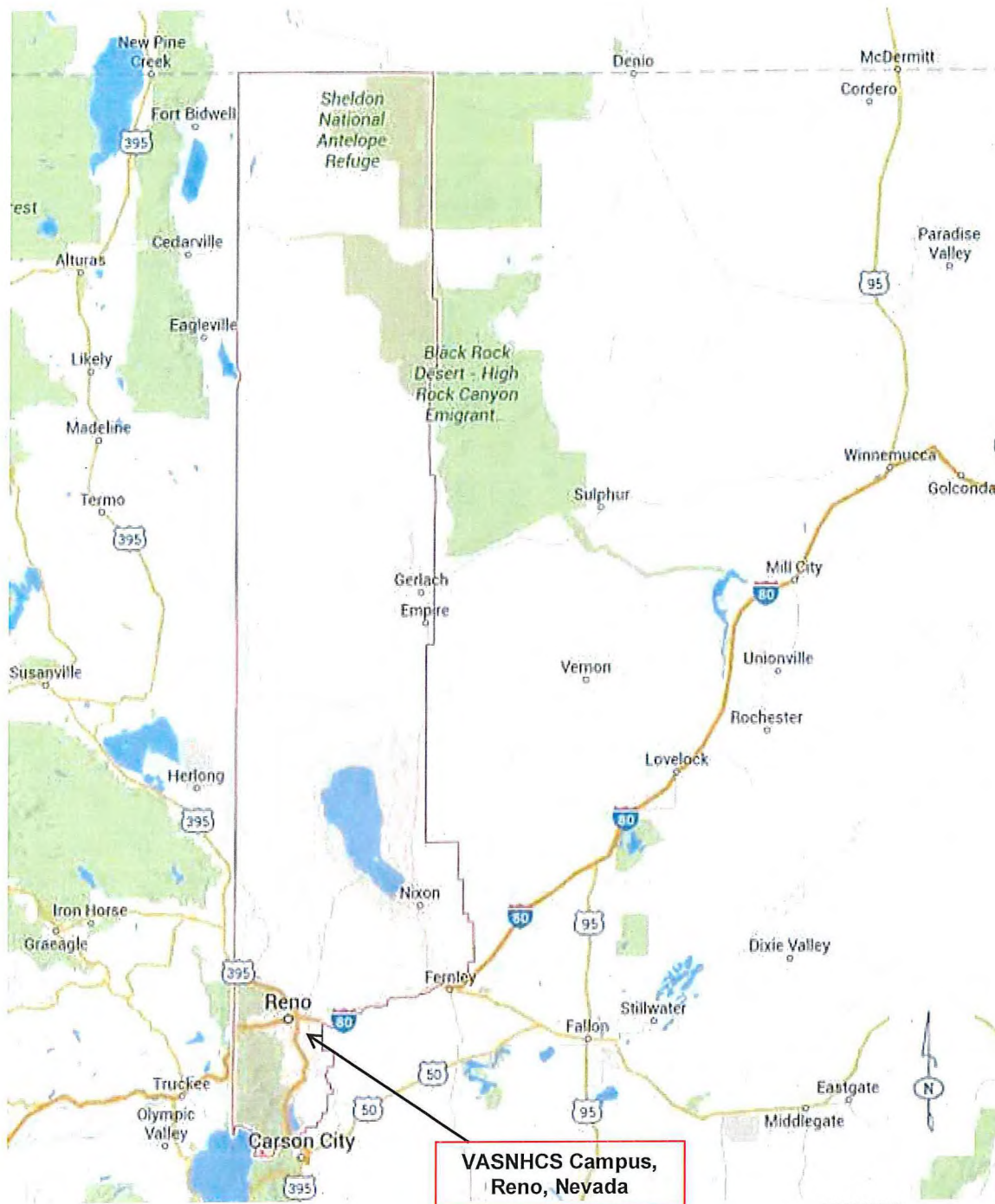


IMAGE SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS

**FIGURE 2**  
**VASNHCS Location within**  
**WASHOE COUNTY**  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
 975 Kirman Avenue  
 Reno, Nevada  
 WASHOE COUNTY



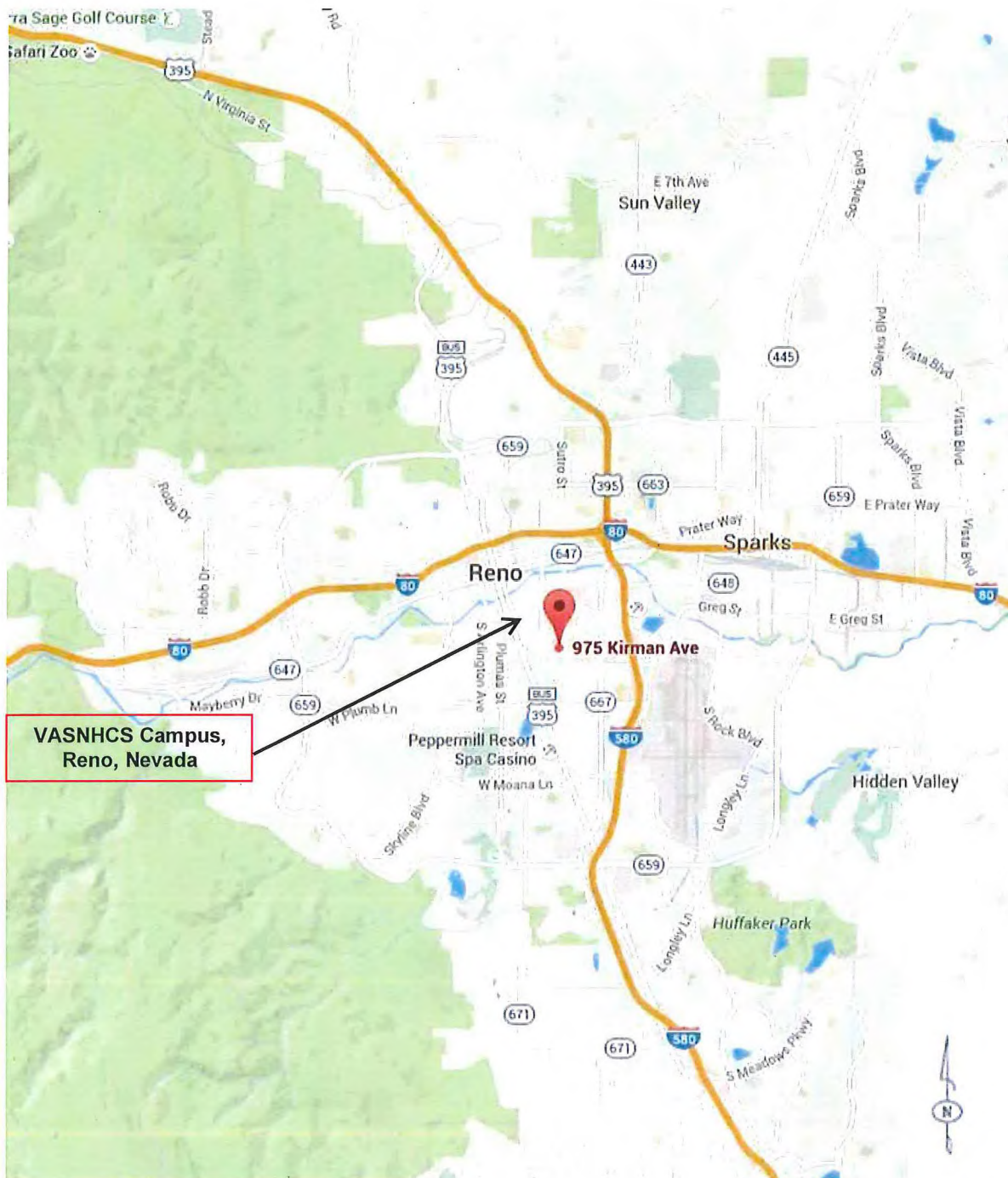
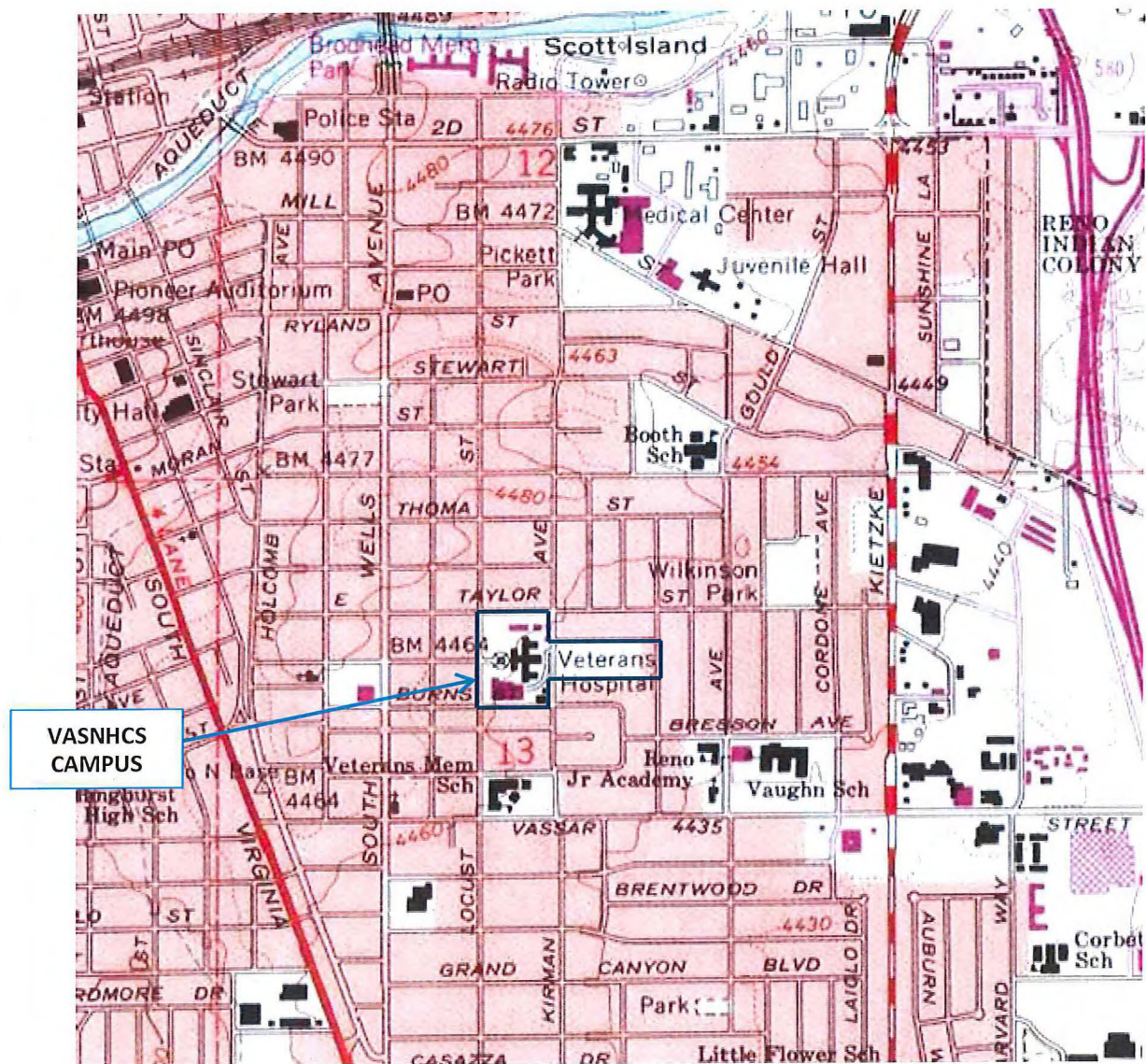


IMAGE SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS

**FIGURE 3**  
**VASNHCS Location within RENO**  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
 975 Kirman Avenue  
 Reno, Nevada  
 WASHOE COUNTY





SOURCE: UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY RENO, QUADRANGLE, NEVADA (7.5-MINUTE SERIES) MAP.



FIGURE 4  
**USGS – VASNHCS LOCATION MAP**  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
 975 Kirman Avenue  
 Reno, Nevada  
 WASHOE COUNTY



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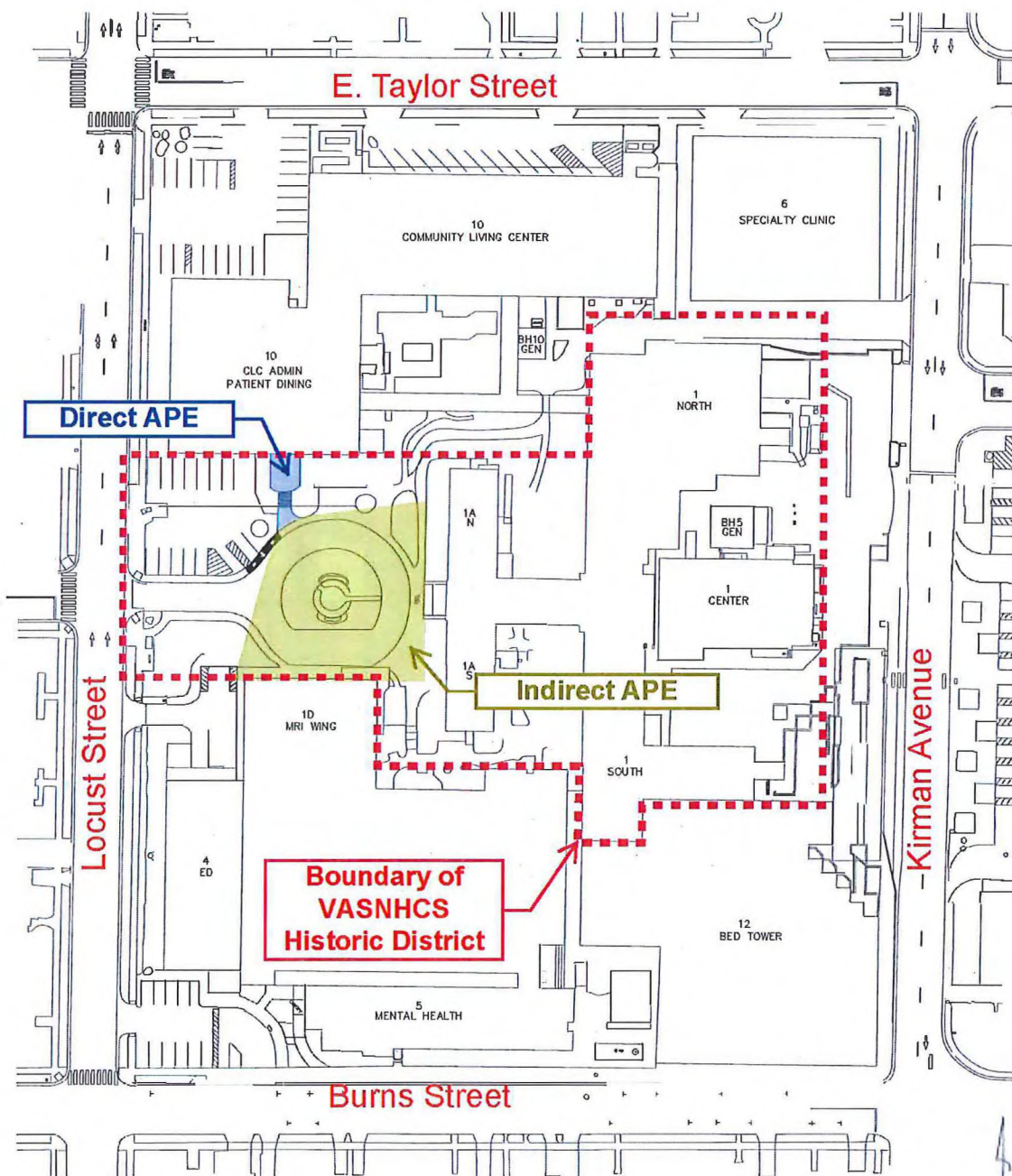


FIGURE 5  
**PROJECT LOCATION  
 AND APE**  
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 Reno, Nevada  
 WASHOE COUNTY



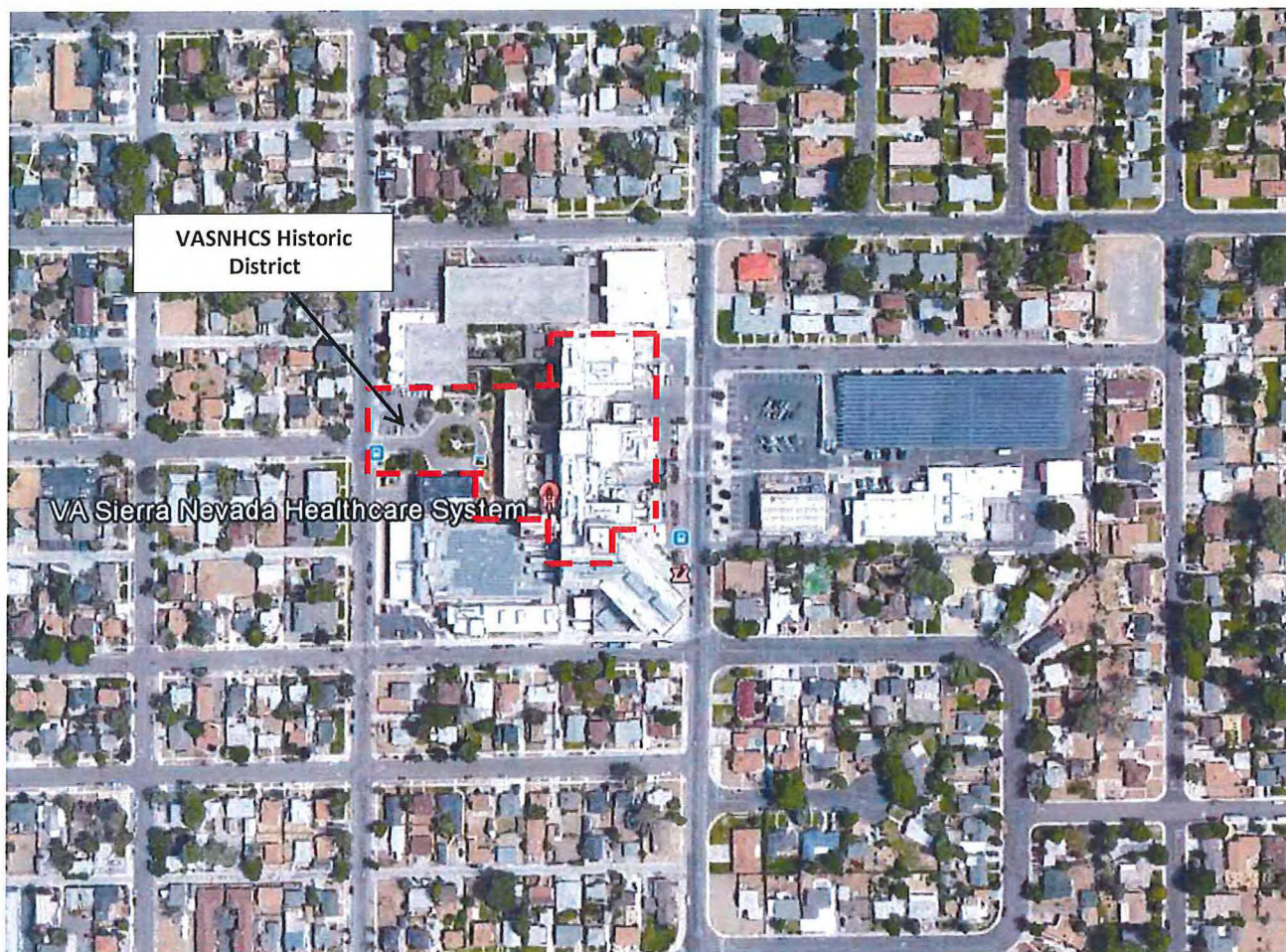


IMAGE SOURCE: GOOGLE MAPS



FIGURE 6a

Department of Veterans Affairs  
Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
975 Kirman Avenue  
Reno, Nevada



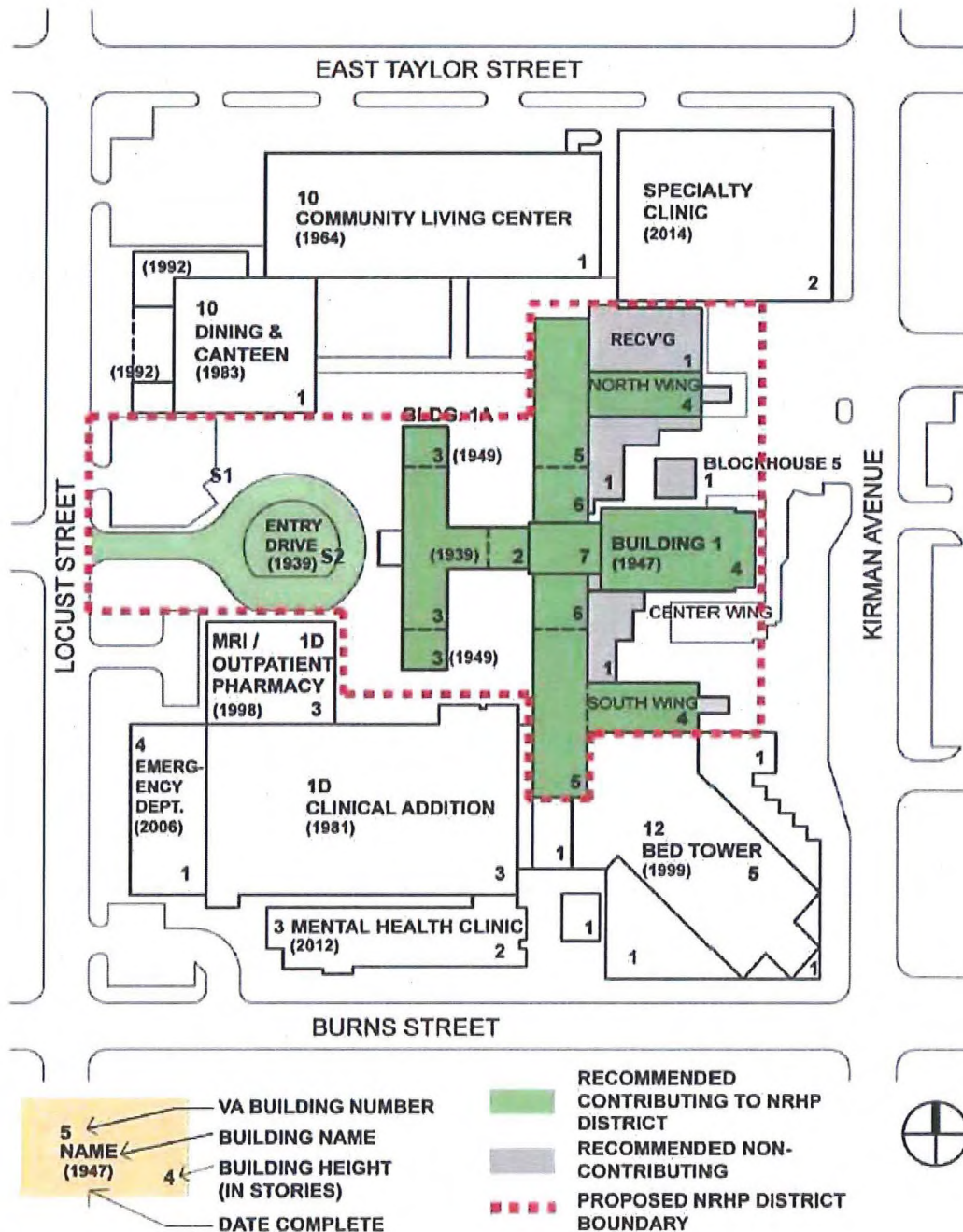


IMAGE SOURCE: QUIMBY MCCOY, 2015

FIGURE 6b  
**VASNHCS HISTORIC DISTRICT**  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Sierra Nevada Health Care System  
 975 Kirman Avenue  
 Reno, Nevada

## APPENDIX B

### VA SIERRA NEVADA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM CULTURAL RESOURCES

The following map illustrates studies that have been executed in consultation with SOI qualified archaeologists prior to the execution of this PA.

SHPO UT2014-3179

Upgrade B1 Seismic, Life Safety, Utility Correction and Expand Clinical Services

*Phase One Archeological Survey on VASNHCS*

Western Cultural Resource Management, Inc.

SHPO UT2015-3811

Purchase Land for Medical Center Expansion and Parking

*Preliminary Cultural Resources Study of Areas Adjacent to the VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System,  
Reno, Nevada*

Digital Technologies in Archaeological Consulting LLC

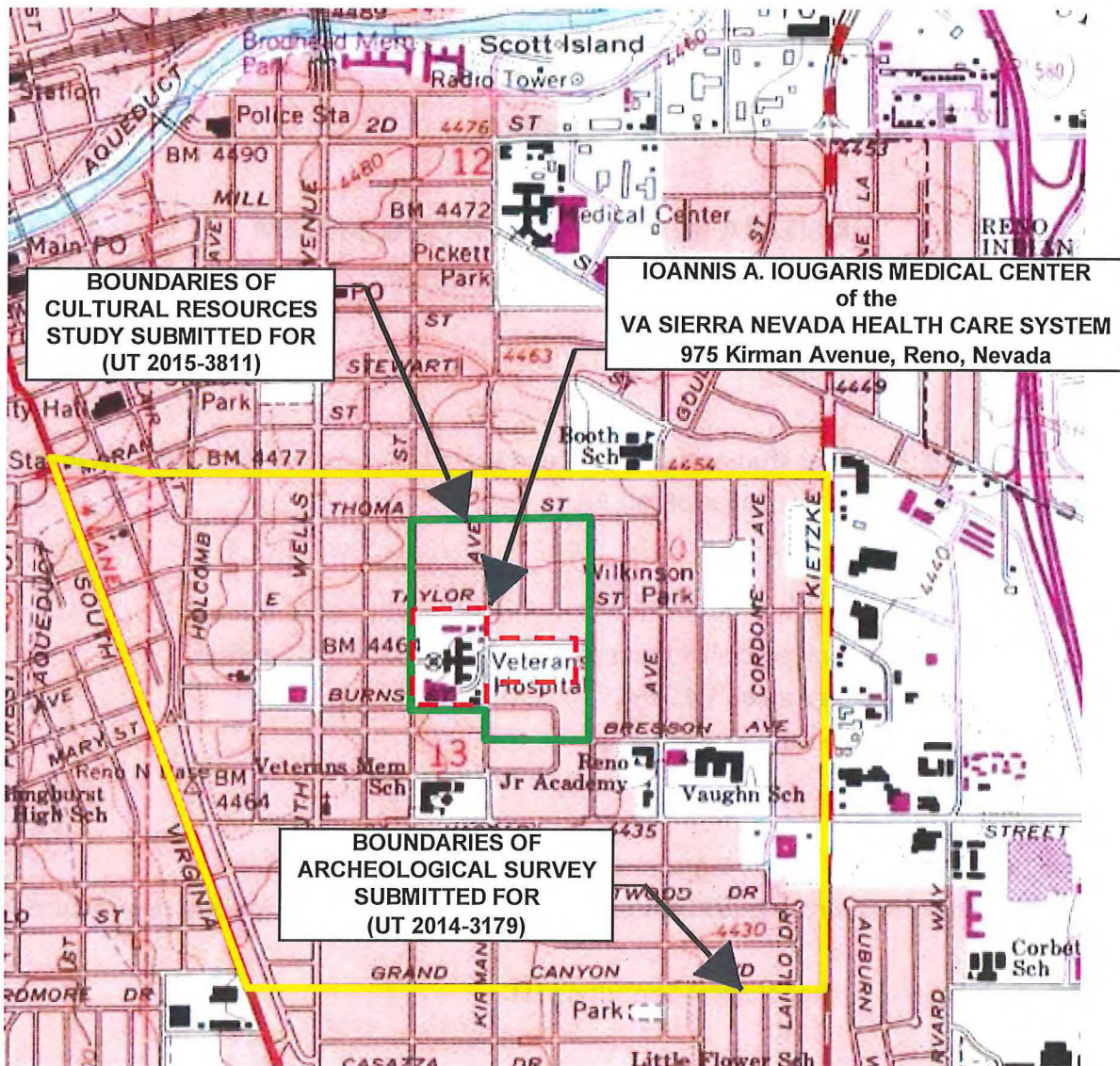


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SOURCE: UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY RENO, QUADRANGLE, NEVADA (7.5-MINUTE SERIES) MAP.

# USGS TOPOGRAPHIC MAP SHOWING BOUNDARIES OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

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## **APPENDIX C**

### **VA SIERRA NEVADA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY**





Building Number	Function/Title	Year Built	Year Renovated	Floors	Historical Status	Total GSF
1A	Administration	1937	2014	4	Veterans Hospital District, SHPO D191	21,500
	Circular Entry Drive (structure)	1937			Veterans Hospital District, SHPO D191	
	Flagpole (object)	1937			Veterans Hospital District, SHPO D191	
1	Old Hospital Bldg	1948	0	8	Veterans Hospital District, SHPO D191	143,886
B5	Blockhouse 5	1948	0	1	Not Evaluated	1,480
1D	Clinical Wing	1981	1999	7	Evaluated, Not Historic	122,580
7	Linen/Pharm Cache	1981	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	8,268
8	Boiler Plant	1981	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	10,567
10	CLC	1983	1994	2	Evaluated, Not Historic	44,975
B10	Blockhouse 10	1983	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	750
CC	Connecting Corridors	1983	0	1	Not Evaluated	2,200
F	Education/FMS	1989	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	2,880
K	Research Modular	1995	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	300
15A	Research Modular	1997	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	6,778
15B	Maintenance & Operations Shops	1997	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	5,602
12	New Bed Building/Clinic	1998	2016	7	Evaluated, Not Historic	118,102
B12	Blockhouse 12	1998	0	1	Not Evaluated	2,350
14	Parking Structure	2006	0	0	Evaluated, Not Historic	0
138	FMS Offices	2008	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	3,600
4	Emergency Room	2008	0	1	Evaluated, Not Historic	7,770
5	Outpatient Mental Health Clinic	2012	0	2	Evaluated, Not Historic	15,779
6	Specialty Clinic	2014	0	2	Evaluated, Not Historic	26,145

